Dodaro, Acting Comptroller General, GAO; and Neel Kashkari, Interim Assistant Secretary, Financial Stability and Assistant Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury.

AUTO INDUSTRY FINANCING AND RESTRUCTURING ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 7321, the Auto Industry Financing and Restructuring Act. The rule provides for one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and Ranking Minority Member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against the bill and against its consideration. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule makes in order the amendment printed in this report if offered by Representative LaTourette. The amendment made in order shall be considered as read and shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. All points of order against the amendment are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit the bill. Finally, the rule permits the Chair, during consideration of the bill, to postpone further consideration to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Chairman Frank and Representative LaTourette.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine a report from the Commission on the Prevention of Weapons of Mass Destruction, Proliferation, and Terrorism, 10 a.m., SH–216.

House

Committee on Appropriations, hearing on the Impact of Recession on States and Local Communities, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, hearing entitled "Approaching Midnight: Oversight of the Bush Administration's Last-Minute Rulemakings," 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.